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SUBJECT: MARCH 12 XCSS  
SECRETARIAT HAS CIRCULATED FOLLOWING ANNOTATED AGENDA  
FOR MARCH 12 XCSS.

BEGIN TEXT:  
ANNOTATIONS ON THE AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN
2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
3. EXCHANGE OF VIEWS FOLLOWING THE FIRST MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE CONFERENCE  
ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

AT ITS 13TH SPECIAL SESSION, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE CONCEPTION AS WELL AS THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION (CIEC). AT ITS 14TH SPECIAL SESSION, TAKING PLACE ON THE EVE OF THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAD AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, WHICH CONFIRMED THAT THERE WAS A CLEAR DESIRE AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE CIEC TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACTS WITH THE NON-PARTICIPATING MEMBER COUNTRIES. IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT OECD COUNTRIES NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE CIEC WOULD NOT ONLY BE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT THE NEGOTIATIONS TAKING PLACE IN THE DIFFERENT COMMISSIONS, BUT WOULD ALSO HAVE AN OCCASION TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE CIEC, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE WORK IN THE VARIOUS HIGH-LEVEL GROUPS ESTABLISHED IN OECD FOR THIS PURPOSE. IT WAS EMPHASIZED IN THIS CONTEXT THAT SUCH A PROCEDURE IN NO WAY IMPLIED THAT THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES WOULD ACT AS A "BLOC" IN THE CONFERENCE, BUT THAT, ON THE OTHER HAND, AN EARLY EXPLORATION OF OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND A CERTAIN HARMONIZATION OF POSITIONS WITHIN EACH GROUP WAS DESIRABLE, BOTH TO MAKE THE CONFERENCE MORE UNCLASSIFIED

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EFFECTIVE IN TERMS OF ACHIEVING CONCRETE RESULTS AND TO AVOID THAT LEGITIMATE DIFFERENCES OF VIEWS AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES GROUP UNDERMINE OR AFFECT NEGATIVELY THE NEGOTIATING POSITION OF THE GROUP.

IN THE MEANTIME, THE CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE

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AND THE COMMISSIONS MET ON 26TH AND 27TH JANUARY TO REVIEW PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORK OF THE FOUR COMMISSIONS AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE AND THE CIEC COMMISSIONS HAVE COMPLETED THEIR FIRST ROUND OF SESSIONS.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE 15TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN SPECIAL SESSION ARE:

- TO ASSESS THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE WORK OF THE CIEC COMMISSIONS HAS STARTED AND THE OVERALL PROSPECTS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSIONS;

- TO ENHANCE THE COMMITTEE'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THE CIEC AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSIONS OR NEGOTIATIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO UNCTAD IV;

TO DISCUSS THE OVERALL STRATEGY OF INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES IN THE DIALOGUE, INCLUDING THE BROAD AREAS WHERE PROGRESS CAN BE EXPECTED, THE FORM AND TIMING OF CONCLUSIONS TO BE REACHED AND THE RELATIONSHIPS TO BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE WORK OF THE FOUR COMMISSIONS;

- TO CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY OF ADOPTING A BALANCED APPROACH TO THE ISSUES TO BE DEALT WITH IN THE DIFFERENT COMMISSIONS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED TO IDENTIFY COMMON OBJECTIVES AND TO PROMOTE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS ON BOTH SIDES;

TO REVIEW, AS APPROPRIATE, WHAT NEW DIRECTIONS OUGHT TO BE GIVEN TO THE HIGH-LEVEL BODIES OF THE ORGANIZATION DEALING WITH SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES RELEVANT TO THE WORK OF THE COMMISSIONS, AND MORE GENERALLY TO THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE.

THE COMMITTEE MIGHT ALSO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE

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PRESENCE OF THE CHAIRMEN OF HIGH-LEVEL BODIES OF THE

ORGANIZATION CONCERNED WITH VARIOUS ASPECTS RELATED TO THE CIEC, TO CLARIFY ANY OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS. THE CHAIRMEN WILL BE INVITED TO REPORT ON THE PRESENT STATUS OF PREPARATION IN THEIR HIGH-LEVEL BODIES IN LIGHT OF THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE CIEC COMMISSIONS.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL WILL MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE DISCUSSIONS UNDER WAY IN THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT AND MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES. THIS STATEMENT WILL ALSO REFER TO THE SECOND MEETING OF THE UN/ECOSOC COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS WHICH IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE IN LIMA ON 1ST-12TH MARCH. END TEXT.  
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